

Info Sharing Successes: Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative on America's Rails

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The Suspicious Activity Reporting (SAR) process has been fully implemented throughout the entire East Coast Amtrak network, including SAR training for all Amtrak police and rail staff. Commuter rail systems that have implemented most elements of the Nationwide SAR Initiative (NSI) include: the Maryland Transportation Authority, Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority, New Jersey Transit, New York/New Jersey Port Authority, Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority, and the New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority. Elements introduced or in place include staff and police training in behavioral recognition, messaging, SAR reporting, SAR analysis, entry of data into the Shared Space or eGuardian, and implementation of privacy policies that are in compliance with the ISE Privacy Guidelines. The next steps are to complete the East Coast implementation; move on to the national freight rail systems, Midwest Amtrak and Chicago; and begin implementation on the West Coast.

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